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SUBJ: COTTON EXPORT BAN LIFTED BUT RESTRICTED TO PUBLIC SECTOR

REF: ISLAMABAD 7039

OCTOBER 11 GOP LIFTED BAN ON EXPORT OF RAW COTTON IMPOSED
AUGUST 28 REPORTED BY REFTEL. GOP ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT
RAW COTTON EXPORTS WOULD BE RESTRICTED TO PUBLIC SECTOR.
TEXT OF GOP ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWS:
QUOTE. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAD ISSUED ORDERS ON AUG. 28,
QUOEN BANNING EXPORT OF STAPLE COTTON IN VIEW OF DAMAGE
CUASED TO THE COTTON CROP BY THE RECENT FLOODS.

THE CROP POSITION HAS SINCE BEEN CAREFULLY REVIEWED.
IT APPEARS THAT AFTER ACCOUNTING FOR THE FLOOD DAMAGES
AND AFTER ENSURING ADEQUATE SUPPLY TO DOMESTIC MILLS.
THE COUNTRY WOULD HAVE AN EXPORT SURPLUS FROM THE
CURRENT CROP. THE BAN ON THE EXPORT OF STAPLE COTTON,
IS, THEREFORE, BEING REMOVED WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT.
THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS, HOWEVER, DECIDED THAT WITH
IMMEDIATE EFFECT, THE EXPORT OF COTTON, INCLUDING "DESI"
COTTON, WILL BE HANDLED EXCLUSIVELY IN PUBLIC SECTOR.
FOR THIS PURPOSE, A COTTON EXPORT CORPORATION IS BEING
ESTABLISHED UNDER THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE. EXPORT
CONTRACTS OF "DESI" COTTON APPROVED BY THE STATE BANK
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UP TO THE 11TH OCT. 1973, WOULD BE ALLOWED TO BE EXECUTED.

ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO REOPEN COTTON HEDGE MARKET
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